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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers** 

## Meeting of the Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of open Federal advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Army is publishing this notice to announce the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Chief of Engineers, Environmental Advisory Board (EAB). This meeting is open to the public. For additional information about the EAB, please visit the committee's website at <a href="http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environmental/">http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environmental/</a>
EnvironmentalAdvisoryBoard.aspx.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on December 2, 2015. Public registration will begin at 8:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The EAB meeting will be conducted at the South Florida Water Management District; 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Mindy M. Simmons, the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the committee, in writing at U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CECW-P, 441 G St NW; Washington, DC 20314; by telephone at 202-761-4127; and by e-mail at

Mindy.M.Simmons@usace.army.mil. Alternatively, contact Ms. Anne Cann, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer (ADFO), in writing at the Institute for Water

Resources, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CEIWR-GW, 7701 Telegraph Road, Casey Building, Alexandria, VA 22315-3868; by telephone at 703-428-7166; and by e-mail at *Anne.R.Cann@usace.army.mil*.

supplementary information: The committee meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150. Due to difficulties beyond the control of the DFO, the DFO was unable to approve the Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board's meeting agenda for the scheduled meeting of December 2, 2015, to ensure compliance with the requirements of 41 CFR 102-3.150(a). Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

Purpose of the Meeting: The EAB will advise the Chief of Engineers on environmental policy, identification and resolution of environmental issues and missions, and addressing challenges, problems, and opportunities in an environmentally responsible manner. The EAB is interested in written and verbal comments from the public relevant to these purposes.

Proposed Agenda: At this meeting the agenda will include discussions and presentations on ongoing work plan efforts including: dam removal, project prioritization criteria, federal interest determination, ecosystem goods and services, aging infrastructure and aquatic ecosystem integrity, and developing effective partnerships. The EAB will also discuss modifications to their work plan.

Availability of Materials for the Meeting. A copy of the agenda or any updates to the agenda for the December 2, 2015 meeting will be available at the meeting. The final version will be provided at the meeting. All materials will be posted to the website after the meeting.

Public Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and subject to the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Registration of members of the public who wish to attend the meeting will begin at 8:15 a.m. on the day of the meeting. Seating is limited and is on a first-to-arrive basis. Attendees will be asked to provide their name, title, affiliation, and contact information to include e-mail address and daytime telephone number at registration. Any interested person may attend the meeting, file written comments or statements with the committee, or make verbal comments from the floor during the public meeting, at the times, and in the manner, permitted by the committee, as set forth below.

Special Accommodations: The meeting venue is fully handicap accessible, with wheelchair access. Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the public meeting or seeking additional information about public access procedures, should contact Ms. Simmons, the committee DFO, or Ms. Cann, the ADFO, at the email addresses or telephone numbers listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section, at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Written Comments or Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments or statements to the EAB about its mission and/or the topics to be addressed in this public meeting. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Ms. Simmons, the committee DFO, or Ms. Cann, the committee ADFO, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the addresses listed in the "FOR FURTHER **INFORMATION CONTACT**" section in the following formats: Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word. The comment or statement must include the author's name, title, affiliation, address, and daytime telephone number. Written comments or statements being submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice must be received by the committee DFO or ADFO at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that they may be made available to the EAB for its consideration prior to the meeting. Written comments or statements received after this date may not be provided to the EAB until its next meeting. Please note that because the EAB operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, all written comments will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection.

Verbal Comments: Members of the public will be permitted to make verbal comments during the meeting only at the time and in the manner allowed herein. If a member of the public is interested in making a verbal comment at the open meeting, that individual must submit a request, with a brief statement of the subject matter to be addressed by the comment, at least three (3) business days

in advance to the committee DFO or ADFO, via electronic mail, the preferred

mode of submission, at the addresses listed in the "FOR FURTHER

**INFORMATION CONTACT**" section. The committee DFO and ADFO will log

each request to make a comment, in the order received, and determine whether

the subject matter of each comment is relevant to the EAB's mission and/or the

topics to be addressed in this public meeting. A 15-minute period near the end of

meeting will be available for verbal public comments. Members of the public who

have requested to make a verbal comment and whose comments have been

deemed relevant under the process described above, will be allotted no more

than three (3) minutes during this period, and will be invited to speak in the order

in which their requests were received by the DFO and ADFO.

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Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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